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- Education Policy Action Team
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- Allegiance Health Department of Prevention & Community Health
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- Corner Health Center
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- Evolve Nonprofit
- Food System Economic Partnership
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- Genesee County Medical Society
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- Healthy Environments Partnership
- Healthy Kids Healthy Futures Coalition of Macomb County
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- Michigan Dietetic Association
- Michigan Environmental Council
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- University of Michigan
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- University of Michigan, Project Healthy Schools
- Voices of Detroit Initiative
- Washtenaw County Public Health
- Wayne County Medical Society of Southeast Michigan
- Wayne State University, Department of Pediatrics
- Wayne State University, Nutrition & Food Science

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2010 Policy Priorities

Education Policy Action Team (EPAT)

Physical Education and Health Education Requirements: Providing specific guidelines for health education and physical education instruction in grades K – 8 and outlining specifics for frequency and class size.

Legislation has been introduced in the Michigan House and Senate that provides specific guidelines, but also does not allow extracurricular activities to be substituted for physical education. Health education and physical education curricula will be aligned with grade level content expectations approved by the State Board of Education. Throughout 2010 EPAT will continue working with the Legislature to turn this proposed legislation into state law.

Implementing District Coordinated School Health Councils: Require coordinated school health councils.

The goal of EPAT is for legislation to be introduced in the first half of 2010 that will require districts to create and maintain a council to annually develop a Healthy School Action Plan, establish who should be a part of the council and how often they meet and provide districts with technical assistance in drafting, implementing, and evaluating plans. School districts would be required to submit their Healthy School Action Plans to the Department of Education annually.

State Nutrition Standards for the School Campus: *Statewide adoption of Michigan's Nutrition Standards Recommendations for all foods available in Michigan Schools.*

During the 2009-2010 school year, 48 Michigan schools are participating as pilot schools implementing the Nutrition Standards currently in draft form. The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) will be gathering feedback from the pilot schools in the spring of 2010, and collecting public comment during the summer. By Fall 2010, MDE would like to submit finalized Nutrition Standards to the State Board of Education for approval. HKHM will collaborate with the MDE and other key stakeholder groups to promote the new Nutrition Standards, advocate for statewide adoption, and encourage school participation.